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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW PRIORITY

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TAGS: TSPA, UR, US, PFOR

SUBJECT: US-USSR SPACE COOPERATION: LUNAR SAMPLE  
-- EXCHANGE (04.03.02)

REF: MOSCOW 1896

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1. WHEN US LUNAR DELEGATION WAS IN MOSCOW LAST DECEMBER IT  
WAS AGREED THAT REMAINING FIVE SAMPLES WOULD BE FORWARDED  
TO US THROUGH EMBASSY, SO THAT IS APPROPRIATE CHANNEL  
(PARA. 3 OF REFTEL).

2. US DELEGATION HEAD DUKE LEFT APPROPRIATE CONTAINERS FOR  
FORWARDING SAMPLES WITH VERNADSKY INSTITUTE (ALSO PARA. 3  
REFTEL). ALL FIVE SAMPLES SHOULD BE HANDED OVER BY INSTI-  
TUTE TO EMBASSY IN SINGLE, PLASTIC SCREW-TOP JAR ABOUT 3  
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1/2 INCHES IN DIAMETER BY 2 1/2 INCHES HIGH. PLEASE CHECK  
AND MAKE SURE TOP OF THIS SCREW-TOP JAR IS SEALED. PACKAGE  
JAR IN CARDBOARD BOX OF APPROPRIATE SIZE AND STRENGTH, WITH  
CRUMPLED NEWSPAPERS FOR CUSHIONING, CLASSIFY CONFIDENTIAL,  
AND POUCH TO DWIGHT CRAMER IN OES/APT/SEP. GIVE PACKAGE  
APPROPRIATE REGISTRY AND MARKINGS TO ENSURE THAT IT IS

ACCOMPANIED BY COURIER.

3. LUNAR SCIENCE INSTITUTE IN HOUSTON IS ARRANGING CEREMONY FOR FORMAL HANDOVER OF SAMPLES AT MARCH LUNAR SCIENCE CONFERENCE (PARA. 2 OF REFTTEL), AND WILL CABLE DETAILS WHEN AVAILABLE.

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